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*Biggie Munn*  
TOURNAMENT MANAGER



CLARENCE "BIGGIE" MUNN  
*Director of Athletics*  
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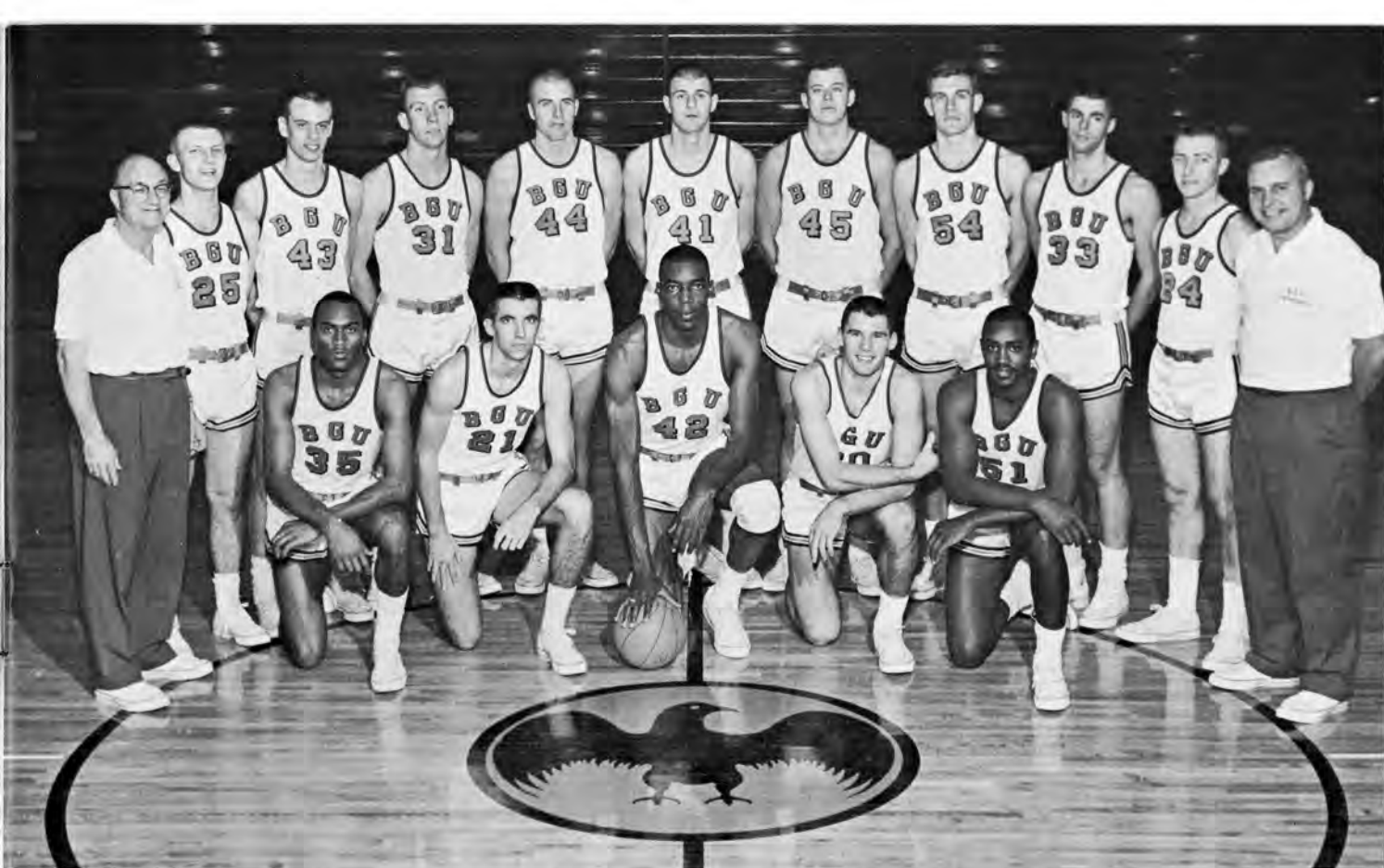
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### BOWLING GREEN STATE BASKETBALL SQUAD

Front Row, l-r, Elijah Chatman, Pat Haley, Nate Thurmond, Howard Komives, Wavey Junior.

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## BOWLING GREEN FALCONS

By DON CUNNINGHAM, *Sports Information Director*

They say that, "the third time is the charm." For Coach Harold Anderson and Bowling Green State University, this adage has been fulfilled.

The Falcons have won the Mid-American Conference three of the last five years but this is the first time that Anderson has brought his team into the Mideast regional N.C.A.A. tournament.

But it hasn't been an easy road for the MAC champions. Tabbed in pre-season ratings as one of the nation's top teams, the Falcons, featuring the "Mr. Inside—Mr. Outside" combination of Nate Thurmond and Howard "Butch" Komives, had to win seven straight in the well-balanced Mid-Am race to take the crown.

Off to an auspicious start with an 86-36 conquest of Miami of Ohio along with an 83-56 victory at Western Kentucky, the Falcons looked like they would live up to the advance billing.

At Western Kentucky, however, Komives pulled a left leg groin muscle which was only back in fair repair by the time the Falcons invaded Philadelphia and the Quaker City tournament. Against St. Joseph's Komives reinjured his leg and the Falcons lost a 58-57 heart-breaker on a last second basket.

Before the final tourney game, the entire BG club was hit by a virus that kept the Falcons on a sub-par level for over two weeks. During this time, they dropped four of

six, including three important MAC contests and was left in fifth place. Komives missed four of these games.

As Komives returned to the lineup, the Falcons started on the upgrade with MAC wins over Kent State and Marshall. Returning from semester examinations, DePaul defeated the Falcons in another last second basket, 55-53. Since then the MAC champions have won 11 straight, including a 92-75 romp over second-ranked Loyola of Chicago, knocking the Ramblers from the undefeated class, and the 77-72 victory over Notre Dame Monday enabling the Falcons to come to East Lansing.

Good defense and balanced scoring off a blistering fast-break attack has been the BeeGEE story. With Thurmond doing a yeoman job on the boards with a 16-rebound average and scoring at a 20.3 clip, Komives furnishes the backcourt leadership along with all-round offensive ability featuring a left-handed jump shot.

The lithe Wavey Junior, whose speed and quick moves are fast-break features, is the third leading scorer with 11.9 points. He joins Elijah Chatman as Thurmond's big helpers in the rebound game. Pat Haley has been a mainstay in the backcourt as a top-notch playmaker.

Thurmond, already named to three all-America teams, has been the captain of the Falcons, the team that Anderson called, "The best of his 21 BG clubs."

## COACH HAROLD ANDERSON

Harold Anderson, head basketball coach at Bowling Green State, and president of the National Association of Basketball Coaches, undoubtedly will go down in the annals of collegiate basketball as one of its greatest teachers.

In his final year of coaching after an illustrious 29-year college coaching career (eight at Toledo before Bowling Green), Anderson was awarded his 500th victory with a 67-58 win over Notre Dame just before the NCAA berth was clinched. Only four other active coaches in major college ranks belong to the "500" club.

Some great individuals and great teams have developed under him. Chuck Chuckovits and Bob Gerber were his Toledo All-Americans, and what BG fans could ever forget the exploits of All-Americans Wyndol Gray, Don Otten, Charlie Share, Mac Otten, Al Bianchi, Jim Gerber and Jim Darrow?

The great teams include all those from 1943 through 1949, of which five received NIT invitations. The 1946-47 team, which didn't go, had a record of 28-7. The 1958-59 Falcons won the Mid-American Conference playoff and represented the league in the NCAA. Last year they took the MAC with an 11-1 mark for another NCAA trip.

His 1950 team was invited to Brazil as ambassadors of the game of basketball and higher education. The Defense Department has used his services overseas on three occasions to conduct clinics in Japan, Hawaii and Greenland.



Anderson, native of Akron, Ohio, attended Otterbein College and won 11 letters in football, basketball, track and baseball before graduating in 1924. He entered collegiate coaching in 1935 at Toledo and moved to Bowling Green in 1942.

### BOWLING GREEN STATE RECORD

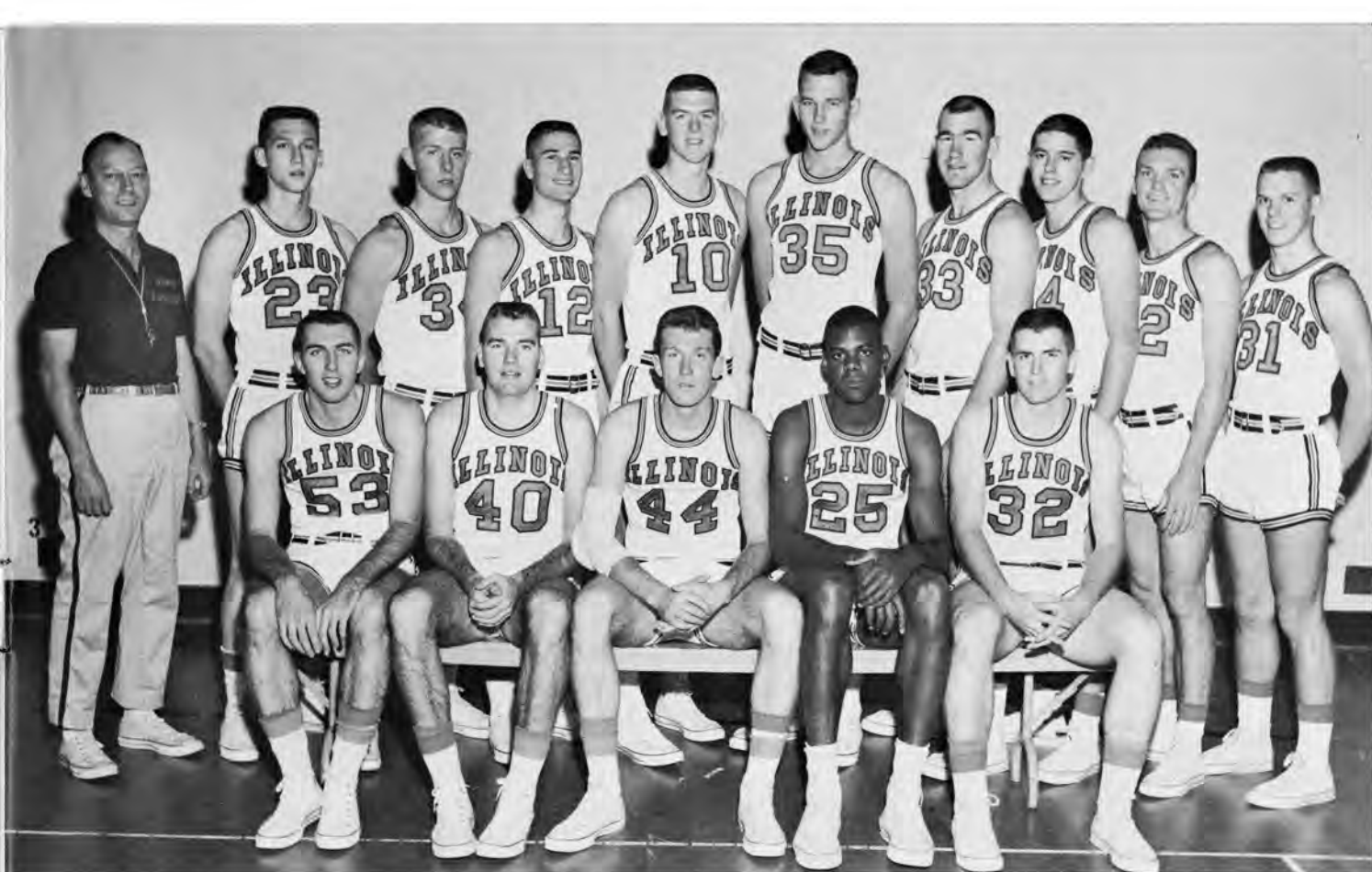
**Won 19, Lost 6**

BG		OPP.
102	Hillsdale .....	53
97	Western Ontario .....	46
86	Miami .....	36
83	Western Kentucky .....	58
57	St. Joseph's .....	58
80	Manhattan .....	73
67	LaSalle .....	74
70	Western Michigan .....	60
56	Ohio University .....	61
56	Toledo .....	60
57	Miami .....	62
88	Kent State .....	71
93	Marshall .....	77
53	DePaul .....	55
63	St. John's .....	55
60	Canisius .....	59
80	Toledo .....	48
66	Ohio University .....	62
59	Kent State .....	55
92	Loyola .....	75
67	Notre Dame .....	58
82	Western Michigan .....	75
114	Marshall .....	86
95	Duquesne .....	59
77	Notre Dame .....	72

**NATE THURMOND, Center**







### ILLINOIS BASKETBALL SQUAD

Front Row, l-r, Bill Small, Dave Downey, Capt. Bob Starnes, Bill Burwell, Bill Edwards.

Back Row, l-r, Coach Harry Combes, Ron Beeks, Bill McKeown, Tal Brody, Larry Bauer, Skip Thoren, Bogie Redmon, John Love, Jay Lovelace, Tony Latham.

## ILLINOIS FIGHTING ILLINI

By CHARLES BELLATTI, *Sports Information Director*

An expected win by Illinois over Iowa and an upset of Ohio State by Indiana on the last day of the regular season let Coach Harry Combes' team share the Big Ten championship with the Buckeyes and advanced the Illini into their first N.C.A.A. playoffs since 1952.

Illinois soared to the top of the conference standings with victories in the first six games and was not dislodged from the number one spot until March 2, when an Illini loss to Michigan and an Ohio State victory over Purdue put the Buckeyes in first.

Coach Harry Combes' performers also whipped their first eight non-conference opponents, including Pennsylvania, New York, and West Virginia to win the E.C.A.C. Holiday Festival in New York's Madison Square Garden, Dec. 26-29.

Illinois defeated two teams ranked in the nation's top ten, Ohio State and New York, and lost to Cincinnati. The Bearcat loss, by a 62-53 score, was before a standing-room crowd of 20,867 in Chicago Stadium, Jan. 26.

Balance, bench strength, and hot shooting were responsible for most of Illinois' success. All five starters averaged in double figures. Reserve center Skip Thoren and guard Bill Edwards played in every game and forward Bogie Redmon in all but two. During the latter

part of the season, Combes sometimes used Thoren and center Bill Burwell, both 6-8½, in a high-low post offense.

Illinois' regular season shooting percentage of .459 bettered the old school record of .433 set by last year's squad. Burwell's .509 individual field goal percentage topped the .490 mark by Doug Mills last year.

Forwards Bob Starnes and Dave Downey provided two individual high spots of the season. Starnes' 60-foot shot which went in as the gun sounded gave Illini a 78-76 victory over Northwestern at Evanston, Jan. 14. Illinois never led the Wildcats until Starnes' dramatic heave. Downey's 53-point outburst at Indiana, Feb. 16, broke a school scoring mark of 40 points set by Andy Phillip of the Whiz Kids in 1943, and also set a Big Ten record — recently broken — for most points in a regulation game. Downey's total of 473 points through regular season games gave him a career total of 1,320, breaking the old record of 1,299 by John (Red) Kerr in 1952-53-54.

A record number of fans watched the Illini cagers this year. Total attendance for the regular season of 242,259 included four crowds of more than 15,000 and 11 gatherings of more than 10,000.

## COACH HARRY COMBES

Harry Combes' 16 years as University of Illinois basketball coach have been marked by unusual success. The popular Illini mentor has produced four Big Ten championship teams and only the 1960-61 squad finished below .500 for the season.

In those 16 years, Combes has coached the Illini to 260 victories against only 108 defeats, a remarkable .706 percentage. He came to Illinois after a career at Champaign High School from 1938 to 1947 when his teams won 254 games and lost only 46 for an .847 percentage.

Combes succeeded Doug Mills, present Illinois athletic director, in 1947. His first team ended the season with an over-all record of 15 victories and five losses and was third in the Big Ten. A year later, in 1949, Combes' squad swept through the conference schedule, posted a 21-4 season record, and took third in NCAA competition.

The 1951 combination won 13 of 14 league games to win another Big Ten title and went on to finish third in the NCAA. The Illini continued to dominate Big Ten play in 1952, successfully defending their championship with a 12-2 mark and again finished third in the NCAA.

It wasn't until this current season that the Illini were back in the title picture, as Combes' athletes earned a league co-championship with 11-3 and ranked 19-5 over-all before this weekend's play.

Combes is a native of Monticello, Ill., and was a



standout guard performer in basketball at Illinois during undergraduate days in the 1930's. He was an all-conference choice in 1936 and 1937.

### ILLINOIS RECORD

Won 19, Lost 5

ILL.		OPP.
66	Butler	49
99	Washington (St. L.)	55
76	Iowa State	73
90	San Jose State	64
93	Oklahoma	90
98	Pennsylvania	66
91	New York	84
92	West Virginia	74
88	Notre Dame	90
85	Iowa	76
90	Ohio State	78
106	Purdue	82
78	Northwestern	76
53	Cincinnati	62
104	Indiana	101
91	Michigan State	86
77	Wisconsin	84
100	Indiana	103
87	Purdue	79
89	Wisconsin	77
81	Minnesota	70
81	Michigan	84
79	Northwestern	73
73	Iowa	69

DAVE DOWNEY, Forward



## BOWLING GREEN STATE

**FRIDAY, MARCH 15, 1963**

21 Pat Haley, g  
24 Bill Reynolds, g  
25 Bill Gast, g  
30 Howard Komives, g  
31 Bob Dwors, f  
33 Lyle Pepin, g  
35 Elijah Chatman, f  
41 Tom Baker, c  
42 Nate Thurmond, c  
43 Dan Knepper, g  
44 Mel Gilbert, f  
45 Bob Carbaugh, f  
51 Wavey Junior, f  
54 Burley Chapman, f

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## ILLINOIS

10 Larry Bauer, f-c  
12 Tal Brody, g  
14 John Love, f  
22 Jay Lovelace, g  
25 Bill Burwell, c  
32 Bill Edwards, g  
33 Bogie Redmon, f  
34 Bill McKeown, g  
35 Skip Thoren, c  
40 Dave Downey, f  
44 Bob Starnes, f  
53 Bill Small, g

[illegible]**LOYOLA**

10 Rich Rochelle, c  
11 John Egan, g  
15 Jerry Harkness, f  
23 Chuck Wood, f-g  
33 Jim Reardon, f  
34 Dan Connaughton,  
f-g  
40 Vic Rouse, f  
41 Leslie Hunter, c  
42 Ron Miller, g

[illegible]**MISSISSIPPI STATE**

22 Doug Hutton, g  
31 Larry Lee, g  
32 Jackie Wofford, g  
33 Joe Dan Gold, f  
34 Don Posey, f  
41 W. D. Stroud, g  
42 Billy Anderton, g  
43 Aubrey Nichols, g  
44 Leland Mitchell, f  
45 Bobby Shows, c  
53 Stan Brinker, f  
54 Richie Williams, f

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## BOWLING GREEN STATE

Harold Anderson, Head Coach

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Age	Class	Home
41	Baker, Tom	C	6-5	205	19		Marietta, Ohio
45	Carbaugh, Bob	F	6-4	210	26	Sr.	Akron, Ohio
54	Chapman, Burley	F	6-4	195	21	Sr.	Bowling Green, Ohio
*35	Chatman, Elijah	F	6-3	185	21	Sr.	Akron, Ohio
31	Dwors, Bob	F-G	6-4	185	19	So.	Cleveland, Ohio
25	Gast, Bill	G	5-11	170	20	Jr.	Elyria, Ohio
44	Gilbert, Mel	F	6-4	190	22	Sr.	Jackson, Mich.
*21	Haley, Pat	G	6-3	180	21	Sr.	Dayton, Ohio
*51	Junior, Wavey	F	6-2	200	21	Jr.	Detroit, Mich.
43	Knepper, Dan	G	6-3	175	20	Jr.	Sylvania, Ohio
*30	Komives, Howard	G	6-1	185	21	Jr.	Toledo, Ohio
33	Pepin, Lyle	G	6-2	170	20	Sr.	Geneva, Ohio
24	Reynolds, Bill	G	5-10	160	21	Sr.	Wayne, Ohio
*42	Thurmond, Nate	C	6-11	225	21	Sr.	Akron, Ohio

\*Probable Starters

No.	Name
34	Connaughton,
*11	Egan, John
*15	Harkness, Jer
*41	Hunter, Leslie
*42	Miller, Ron
33	Reardon, Jim
10	Rochelle, Rich
*40	Rouse, Vic
23	Wood, Chuck

\*Probable

## ILLINOIS

Harry Combes, Coach

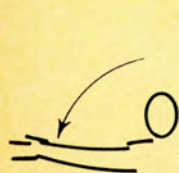
No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Age	Class	Home
10	Bauer, Larry	F	6-7	207	19	So.	Springfield, Ill.
*12	Brody, Tal	G	6-2	165	19	So.	Trenton, N.J.
*25	Burwell, Bill	C	6-8½	227	22	Sr.	Brooklyn, N.Y.
*40	Downey, Dave	F	6-4	204	21	Sr.	Canton, Ill.
32	Edwards, Bill	G	6-2	208	19	Jr.	Windsor, Ill.
31	Latham, Tony	G	5-10½	163	19	So.	Waukegan, Ill.
14	Love, John	F	6-3	199	20	Jr.	Ottawa, Ill.
22	Lovelace, Jay	G	6-0½	164	22	Sr.	Carbondale, Ill.
34	McKeown, Bill	G	6-2	185	19	So.	Clinton, Ill.
11	Meadows, Bob	G	5-7½	157	19	So.	Collinsville, Ill.
33	Redmon, Bogie	F	6-5½	218	19	So.	Collinsville, Ill.
*53	Small, Bill	G	6-2	185	21	Sr.	Aurora, Ill.
*44	Starnes, Bob	F	6-5	187	21	Sr.	Dukedom, Tenn.
35	Thoren, Skip	C	6-8½	201	19	So.	Rockford, Ill.

\*Probable Starters

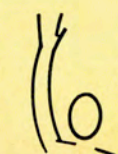
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*53	Brinker, Stan
*33	Gold, Joe Dan
*22	Hutton, Doug
31	Lee, Larry
*44	Mitchell, Lela
43	Nichols, Aubrey
34	Posey, Don
45	Shows, Bobby
*41	Stroud, W. D.
54	Williams, Rich
32	Wofford, Jack

\*Probable

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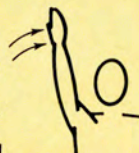
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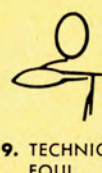
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OR CHARGING



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OF HANDS



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FOUL



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## LOYOLA

George Ireland, Head Coach

	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Age	Class	Home
Dan	F-G	6-1	182	19	So.	Hamilton, Ohio
	G	5-10	175	20	Jr.	Chicago, Ill.
erry	F	6-2½	175	22	Sr.	Bronx, N.Y.
	C	6-7	212	20	Jr.	Nashville, Tenn.
	G	6-2	190	20	Jr.	Bronx, N.Y.
	F	6-4½	215	21	Sr.	Chicago, Ill.
	C	6-9	249	21	Jr.	Evanston, Ill.
	F	6-6	210	19	Jr.	E. St. Louis, Ill.
	F-G	6-3	175	20	Jr.	Racine, Wis.
e Starters						

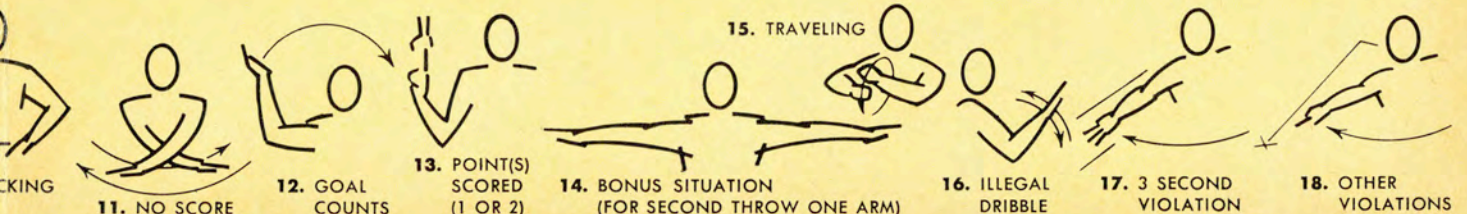
e Starters

## MISSISSIPPI STATE

James H. (Babe) McCarthy, Coach

	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Age	Class	Home
ly	G	6-3	185	19	So.	Florence, Miss.
n	G	6-5	185	19	Jr.	Metropolis, Ill.
	F	6-5	210	20	Sr.	Benton, Ky.
	G	5-10	160	20	Jr.	Clinton, Miss.
	G	6-0	165	19	So.	Jackson, Miss.
	F	6-4	200	21	Sr.	Kiln, Miss.
nd	G	6-1	175	20	Jr.	New Hope, Miss.
ey	F	6-3	190	19	So.	Indianola, Miss.
	C	6-7	215	21	Sr.	Brookhaven, Miss.
	G	6-1	155	21	Sr.	Forest, Miss.
r	F	6-5	215	19	So.	Metropolis, Ill.
nie	G	6-0	165	19	So.	Starkville, Miss.
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Starters





**CHAMPIONSHIP GAME—SATURDAY, MARCH 16, 9 P.M.**

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**CONSOLATION GAME (Third Place)—SATURDAY, MARCH 16, 7 P.M.**

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### LOYOLA BASKETBALL SQUAD

Front Row, l-r, John Gabcik, manager; Dan Connaughton, Jack Egan, Pablo Robertson, Dennis McKenna, trainer.  
Middle Row, l-r, Paul Krucker, assistant coach; Ron Miller, Chuck Wood, Jerry Harkness (captain), George Ireland, head coach.  
Back Row, l-r, Earl Johnson, Billy Smith, Vic Rouse, Leslie Hunter, Jim Reardon, Rich Rochelle.

## LOYOLA RAMBLERS

By DENIS QUINLAN, *Sports Information Director*

Loyola is making its debut in the National Collegiate Athletic Association basketball tournament after one of the most successful seasons in more than 20 years.

The Ramblers completed their regular season play on March 3 with a record of 24 wins and only two losses. Their tremendous speed and scoring power have held them in the top ten in the national rankings throughout the entire season.

Starting out the season in high gear, the Ramblers raced through 21 consecutive games without a loss before falling 92 to 75 to Bowling Green. Included in the victories were three in Oklahoma City where Loyola won the All-College Tournament.

The Ramblers' only other loss was 73 to 72 to Wichita on March 3 in a squeaker that closed the regular season.

Ten times during the season, Loyola scored 100 points or more, and ended the season averaging nearly 94 points a game.

The loss of two regular substitutes—Billy Smith and Pablo Robertson—on scholastic ineligibility at the end of the first semester, hit hard at Coach George Ireland's offense as the season drew to a close.

The pair, the number six and number seven men on the team respectively, were the backbone of Ireland's bench. Between them, they had scored 240 points in 20 games and had collected 160 rebounds. Both of Loyola's losses came after they were dropped from the team.

But their loss from the team has failed to slow the Loyola balanced scoring attack. All five of Ireland's starters are averaging better than 13 points a game.

Leading the parade is All-American Jerry Harkness, a 6 foot 2½ inch forward from the Bronx. Jerry, holder of every Loyola University scoring record, tallied 556 points in his 26 games for a 21.4 point a game average.

Runner-up to Harkness in the scoring department is the Ramblers' jumping jack center, 6-7 Leslie Hunter. Leslie averaged 16.9 points a game to collect 440 points.

Jack Egan, the smallest member of the squad at 5-10, was in third place in scoring at the close of the season with 370 points and an average of 14.2 points a game. The speedy Egan, Loyola's "floor general," is the only Chicagoan on the starting five.

Vic Rouse, Harkness' 6-6 partner at forward, was the team's leading rebounder. Vic used his jumping ability and long arms to clean the boards of 304 rebounds in 26 games—an average of 11.7 a game. Rouse, a teammate of Hunter at Pearl High School in Nashville, Tenn., before coming to Loyola, hails from East St. Louis, Ill.

Ron Miller, Loyola's versatile 6 foot 2 inch starting guard, played occasionally at center and forward as well this season. He scored 340 points and averaged 13.1 a game. Like Harkness, Miller played in all 26 games without fouling out—the second year in a row he has done so.



## COACH GEORGE IRELAND

Not since 1951 when his first Loyola team ran up a 17-8 record and he was named Coach of the Year by the Chicago basketball writers has the basketball picture looked brighter for George Ireland.

The dawn of the current season found basketball fever running high on the Rambler campus with most of the squad back from last season when Loyola came on strongly into prominence as a national power.

And now, Ireland takes his high-flying club into its first National Collegiate tournament competition on the heels of a great season that saw the team win 24 and lose only two and consistently rank among the nation's top ten teams. Win No. 25 was achieved Monday.

Ireland's tenure at Loyola is surpassed only by the late Lennie Sachs who raised the Ramblers to national recognition during his 18-year career from 1923 until his untimely death in 1942. A pioneer in basketball, Sachs is a member of the Basketball Hall of Fame.

Since Ireland took over, his teams have earned a reputation as giant killers. In 1958, for instance, undefeated Kentucky took the short end of a 57-56 decision, and Memphis State, the defending NIT runners-up and heavy favorites, was handed a 79-76 loss.

Before coming to Loyola, Ireland was one of the most successful high school coaches in Illinois. He spent 15 years at Marmion Academy where his teams won 270 games and lost 78. He's a native of Madison, Wis., and was an All-American basketball performer at Notre Dame in 1934 and 1935.



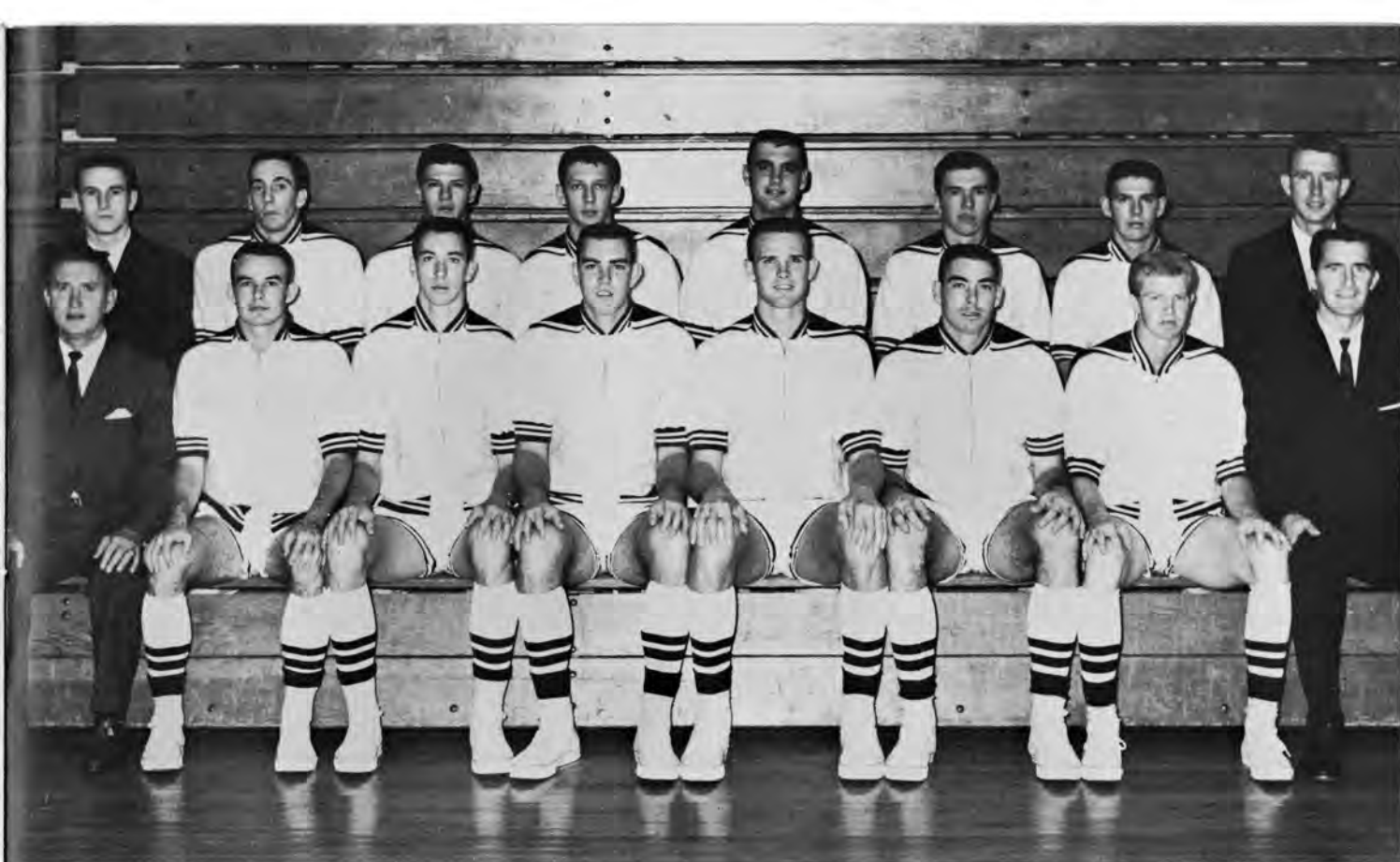
### LOYOLA RECORD

**Won 25, Lost 2**

LOY.		OPP.
114	..... Christian Brothers .....	58
110	..... North Dakota .....	56
107	..... Wisconsin-Milwaukee .....	47
105	..... South Dakota .....	58
123	..... Western Michigan .....	102
106	..... Indiana .....	94
93	..... Seattle .....	83
81	..... Arkansas .....	62
94	..... Memphis State .....	82
93	..... Wyoming .....	82
74	..... Dayton .....	69
103	..... Marshall .....	58
88	..... Loyola of the South .....	53
87	..... Marquette .....	68
107	..... Western Michigan .....	69
96	..... Kent State .....	55
80	..... Ohio University .....	72
92	..... Santa Clara .....	72
118	..... Washington (St. L.) .....	58
86	..... Iowa .....	68
92	..... Marquette .....	90
75	..... Bowling Green .....	92
70	..... St. John's .....	47
62	..... Houston .....	58
114	..... Ohio University .....	94
72	..... Wichita .....	73
111	..... Tennessee Tech .....	42

JERRY HARKNESS, (Captain) Forward





### MISSISSIPPI STATE BASKETBALL SQUAD

Front Row, l-r, Coach Babe McCarthy, Doug Hutton, Stan Brinker, Joe Dan Gold, Bobby Shows, Leland Mitchell, W. D. Stroud, Jerry Simmons, assistant coach.  
Back Row, l-r, Jimmy Wise, manager; Don Posey, Larry Lee, Jackie Wofford, Howard Hemphill, Billy Anderton, Aubrey Nichols, J. D. Gammel, freshman coach.

## MISSISSIPPI STATE BULLDOGS

By BOB HARTLEY, *Sports Information Director*

Winning Southeastern Conference basketball championships is becoming a habit at Mississippi State.

Under the coaching of James H. (Babe) McCarthy, State has captured three titles in a row and four in the last five years.

The 1962-63 Maroon Bulldogs ended the campaign with a 12-2 league and a 21-5 overall record. Georgia Tech and Auburn tied for second place in conference standings, each with 10-4 records.

State's two SEC losses were to Alabama (in overtime) and to Florida.

Against the two second-place teams—Auburn and Tech—the Bulldogs whipped Auburn 62-53 on the Tigers home floor in the first conference game of the season. Despite a poor night at the free throw line (State missed 13 charity tosses) the Bulldogs had little trouble in disposing of the Engineers 81-69.

McCarthy's Marauders closed out their home season Feb. 11 with a 56-52 win over Kentucky. The last five games were all on the road, State winning four of them. The win over Kentucky was the 24th consecutive home floor victory for State.

Mississippi State opened the season with five victories before being upset by Virginia Tech, 82-65, in Blacksburg. The loss to the Gobblers spoiled a 19-game win streak that extended over two seasons.

Tall Houston ruined State's hopes of repeating as

Sugar Bowl champions, knocking the Bulldogs off 79-76 in overtime in the first round of the Sugar Bowl tourney. State took consolation honors by defeating Xavier of Cincinnati 75-66.

Fifth loss of the campaign was a 71-65 decision to Memphis State. Previously State had whipped Memphis State 77-66 on a neutral floor.

Four seniors are closing out their collegiate careers for State in the NCAA Regional Playoffs—Captain Joe Dan Gold (6-5) and Leland Mitchell (6-4), the starting forwards; W. D. (Red) Stroud (6-1), a guard regular, and Bobby Shows (6-7), who alternates with Stan Brinker (6-5) at center.

Gold, Mitchell, Stroud and Shows have played on three straight SEC championship clubs. Over the three-year varsity span the Bulldogs have won 64 and lost 12. In conference games only, the record is 36 victories against just six setbacks.

Brinker and guard Doug Hutton (5-10) are the non-seniors on the starting quintet, both being juniors. Top replacements are guard Aubrey Nichols, a defensive standout, and 6-5 forward Richie Williams, who became eligible at the start of the second semester in late January.

Mitchell, who averaged 17.1 and Stroud, who had a 17.4 average, but played in three less games than Mitchell, were both named to the District III All-Star team by the Basketball Writers Association of America.



## COACH BABE McCARTHY

Mississippi State's super salesman, Babe McCarthy, is a man who wastes little time in getting a job done.

When McCarthy took over the Mississippi State coaching duties seven years ago the Bulldog basketball fortunes were at a low ebb. McCarthy, who wasn't even in coaching when given the job as head coach of the Southeastern Conference Bulldogs, took the job with the understanding "produce or else".

To say Babe McCarthy has produced is an understatement.

The personable 39-year-old native of Baldwin, Miss., has led State to 149 victories against only 51 defeats, a .745 winning percentage. Even more important is the four SEC basketball championships that have come to Mississippi State in the past five years.

McCarthy's 1961-62 club finished the season with the best regular season record of any major college team in the nation, 24 victories against a single loss. For guiding the club to a conference co-championship with Kentucky, he was chosen SEC "Coach of the Year" for the third time.

McCarthy, a former World War II transport pilot, who never played a single college basketball game, started his coaching career in 1947 at his home town, Baldwin and turned out a state championship team.

He returned to active duty during the Korean conflict and while in service coached an Air Force team at Memphis, Tenn. A junior high coaching job in Tupelo, Miss. followed before McCarthy took a position with an



oil firm in Clarksdale, Miss. He continued his officiating of SEC basketball games and was tapped for the Bulldog job in 1955.

### MISSISSIPPI STATE RECORD

Won 21, Lost 5

MS		OPP.
90	.....Arkansas A&M .....	55
80	.....Louisiana Tech .....	61
79	.....Northeast Louisiana .....	56
83	.....Louisiana College .....	59
77	.....Memphis State .....	66
65	.....Virginia Tech .....	82
106	.....Christian Brothers .....	71
76	.....Houston .....	79
75	.....Xavier (Ohio) .....	66
106	.....Delta State .....	77
62	.....Auburn .....	53
72	.....Alabama .....	77
58	.....Vanderbilt .....	55
81	.....Georgia Tech .....	69
78	.....Mississippi .....	64
65	.....Memphis State .....	71
62	.....Southern Mississippi .....	52
73	.....Louisiana State .....	66
91	.....Tulane .....	73
63	.....Tennessee .....	59
56	.....Kentucky .....	52
52	.....Florida .....	72
86	.....Georgia .....	75
99	.....Louisiana State .....	64
78	.....Tulane .....	67
75	.....Mississippi .....	72

LELAND MITCHELL, Forward



# 1963 N.C.A.A. University Division Basketball Bracket

## EAST REGIONALS

Pittsburgh 83

New York U. 93

St. Joseph's 82

Princeton 81

West Virginia 77

Connecticut 71

New York Univ.

Univ. of Maryland, Mar. 15  
Duke

St. Joseph's

Univ. of Maryland, Mar. 15

West Virginia

Univ. of Maryland, March 16

Louisville, Ky., March 22

**EASTERN  
CHAMPION**

## MIDEAST REGIONALS

Bowling Green 77

Notre Dame 72

Tennessee Tech 42

Loyola 111

Bowling Green

Michigan State Univ., Mar. 15  
Illinois

Loyola

Michigan State Univ., Mar. 15  
Mississippi State

Michigan State Univ., March 16

## MIDWEST REGIONALS

Texas 65

Texas Western 47

Colorado State 67

Oklahoma 70

Texas

Univ. of Kansas, Mar. 15  
Cincinnati

Oklahoma City

Univ. of Kansas, Mar. 15  
Colorado

**NATIONAL 3rd PLACE**

Louisville, Ky., March 23

**NATIONAL  
CHAMPION**

## WEST REGIONALS

Arizona State 79

Utah State 75

Seattle 66

Oregon State 70

Arizona State

Brigham Young Univ., Mar. 15  
UCLA

Oregon State

Brigham Young Univ., Mar. 15  
San Francisco

Louisville, Ky., March 22

Brigham Young Univ., March 16

**WESTERN  
CHAMPION**

## PAST CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS

Year	Site	Champion	Runner-Up	Final Score
1939	Evanston, Ill.	Oregon	Ohio State	46-33
1940	Kansas City, Mo.	Indiana	Kansas	60-42
1941	Kansas City, Mo.	Wisconsin	Washington State	39-34
1942	Kansas City, Mo.	Stanford	Dartmouth	53-38
1943	New York City	Wyoming	Georgetown	46-34
1944	New York City	Utah	Dartmouth	42-40
1945	New York City	Oklahoma A&M	N.Y.U.	49-45
1946	New York City	Oklahoma A&M	North Carolina	43-40
1947	New York City	Holy Cross	Oklahoma	58-47
1948	New York City	Kentucky	Baylor	58-42
1949	Washington	Kentucky	Oklahoma A&M	46-36
1950	New York City	C.C.N.Y.	Bradley	71-68
1951	Minneapolis, Minn.	Kentucky	Kansas State	68-58
1952	Seattle, Wash.	Kansas	St. John's	80-63
1953	Kansas City, Mo.	Indiana	Kansas	69-68
1954	Kansas City, Mo.	LaSalle	Bradley	92-76
1955	Kansas City, Mo.	San Francisco	LaSalle	77-63
1956	Evanston, Ill.	San Francisco	Iowa	83-71
1957	Kansas City, Mo.	North Carolina	Kansas	54-53*
1958	Louisville, Ky.	Kentucky	Seattle	84-72
1959	Louisville, Ky.	California	West Virginia	71-70
1960	San Francisco, Calif.	Ohio State	California	75-55
1961	Louisville, Ky.	Cincinnati	Ohio State	70-65**
1962	Louisville, Ky.	Cincinnati	Ohio State	71-59

(\* three overtimes; \*\* one overtime)



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